Notification dated 17th August 1903.

Tenders are invited for the felling and removal of Casuarina fuel in the undermentioned plantations.

All tenders should be superscribed "Casuarina fuel" and should detail the rates per ton (stacked cubic feet 68) the tenderer is willing to pay to Government for billets 3" and over in diameter and between 1½" and 3" in diameter.

Such tenders should reach the District Forest Officer by post duly insured not later than the end of the current month and will be opened by him in the presence of any of the tenderers who would care to be present at the time on or about the 5th proximo.

Rupees 200 in currency notes in full should be enclosed in every tender as earnest money; and except in the case of the successful tenderer, this money if received will be returned to others without unnecessary delay. The District Forest Officer will be at liberty to accept any of the tenders :—

Serial number.	Name of plantation.	Approximate quantity of dry Casuarina fuel available.
1	Pandithanahalli	500 tons.
2	Dasarahalli	
3	Gollahalli and Mallasandra	
4	Ballapur and Linganahalli	
5	Adagur	
6	Channascttihalli	
7	Honnavalli	
8	Nitgunta	
9	Ammangatta	
10	Gorvipura	
11	Uddihoskere	
12	Ankapur	
13	Marasettihalli	
14	Harenahalli	

Conditions.

The successful contractor will be required to execute a bond on stamped paper to act up to the conditions noted below within one week from the date of acceptance of his tender, and the Rs. 200 will be deposited in favor of the District Forest Officer as earnest money for the due fulfilment of the agreement in Government Savings Bank :—

(*a*) The trees for felling will be previously marked by the Ranger and the felling undertaken compartment by compartment in a methodical manner.

(*b*) No axe should be used for felling but the trees sawn off as near to the ground as possible, and the fuel billets will be sawn to the required lengths, not exceeding three feet in length.

(*c*) The fuel will be carefully assorted and stocked separately on compartment lines or places approved by the District Forest Officer. The stocks should be rectangular in shape and built of such dimension that the cubic contents thereof is 68 c. ft. or its multiple.

(*d*) The contractor is bound to remove at the accepted rates all fuel pieces over 1½" in thickness, and smaller sized fuel will also be sold to him if required at annas 8 a cart-load or retained for local consumption.

(*e*) Payments must be made for all wood before removal at the accepted rates, and all wood will be covered by passports issued by the Range officer before its removal from the plantation.

(*f*) No fuel should be carted out between sunset and sunrise.

(*g*) The contractor, while working out this contract, should not purchase Casuarina from adjoining private owner or work his own plantations, if any, close to the Government plantations.

(*h*) All felling and carting should be completed within six months from the date on which he draws up the abovementioned agreement.

(*i*) Great care should be taken to prevent any injury to sandal or any other surrounding trees while felling the marked-out Casuarina. Any injury caused to the

surrounding growth willingly or negligently by the contractor or his men, will render the contractor liable to pay up such damage as may be decided upon by the District Forest Officer.

(*j*) Under no circumstances should fire be lit in the plantations.

(*k*) The contractor should report to the Range officer from time to time the number of waggon loads of fuel he removes by rail the place of their destination and the weight of the waggon loads.

(*l*) The breaking of any of these conditions on the part of the contractor or his men will lead to the forfeiture of the earnest money and cancelment of the contract under Section 84 of the Forest Regulation, XI of 1900, and all wood paid for but unremoved will lapse to Government.

B. HEERASINGH, *Dt. Forest Officer.*

Notification dated 11th August 1903.

It is hereby notified for general information that the right of collecting tangadi and kakke barks in the Government unoccupied lands of the Hassan District from 1st October 1903 to 30th June 1905 will be sold by public auction on dates and at places noted below, by the District Forest Officer and the Deputy Commissioner or an Assistant Commissioner deputed by him. The sale will be subject to the confirmation of the Deputy Commissioner:—

Taluk.	Date of sale.	Place of sale.
Arsikere Channarayapatna Hole-Narsipur Arkalgud Hassan Manjarabad Belur	7th September 1903 ...	Arsikere.

2. The auction will commence at 2 P.M. on the day of sale and will be continued on the next day if necessary. A local cess of one anna in the rupee will be recovered on the amount of sale.

3. Parties intending to bid must attend either in person or by duly accredited agents. No person will be allowed to bid unless he deposits a sum of Rs. 100, which will be returned to the unsuccessful bidder immediately after the close of the sale.

4. Within a week after the close of the sale the lessee should credit one-fourth of the amount of sale and the balance in three quarterly instalments on 1st October 1903, 1st January 1904 and 1st April 1904. Should he fail to do so, the amount already paid will be forfeited to Government and the right re-sold at the risk of the lessee, who will be held responsible for any loss but shall not participate in any gain by such re-sale.

5. Before 15th September 1903 the lessee shall sign an agreement binding himself to observe the conditions noted below. After signing the agreement permission will be given to collect the bark.

Conditions.

1. Shoots under one year should on no account be coppiced.
2. A list of sub-contractors and mestris working under the lessee should be furnished.
3. Regular accounts should be maintained in the form prescribed by the District Forest Officer. The accounts to be subject to examination by any Forest or Revenue officer.
4. Each cart-load of bark removed should be covered by a pass.
5. Any bark left within the limits of the district after the 30th June 1905 to be the property of Government.
6. In the event of any difference the Deputy Commissioner's order will be final.

Y. SITARAMAIYA, *Dt. Forest Officer, Hassan Dt.*

TANGADI BARK.

Notification dated 7th August 1903.

(1) Notice is hereby given that sealed tenders will be received at the office of the District Forest Officer, Chitaldrug, up to the 10th September 1903, for the purchase of the exclusive privilege of collecting tangadi (*cassia auriculata*) bark for a period of twenty-one months

(from 1st October 1903 to 30th June 1905) in all Government lands including Amrut Mahal kavals and Plantations in the taluks, as well as the State Forests, noted below :—

No.	Name of Taluk or State Forest.	Remarks.
1	Harihar Sub-Taluk	The produce of Inam, Jodi, Kayamgutta, Sarvamanya, Kandayam and other lands which are in the occupancy of private individuals is not included in above.
2	Jagalur Taluk	
3	Challakere Taluk	
4	Chitaldrug Taluk	
5	Malebennur State Forest	
6	Nirthadi do	
7	Jogimatti do	

(2) Tenders should specify the name of the taluk or State Forest and the price offered for each.

(3) Each tender must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 200 in currency notes as earnest money, in default of which, tenders will be rejected. Covers containing the tenders should be addressed to the District Forest Officer, Chitaldrug, should be duly registered, insured and superscribed "Tender for Tangadi bark."

(4) The final acceptance of any tender will rest with the Deputy Commissioner, who does not bind himself to accept the highest or any tender or to assign any reason whatever for the rejection of any tender.

(5) Tenders will be opened by the District Forest Officer in conjunction with the Deputy Commissioner or an Assistant Commissioner deputed for the purpose, in the District office at Chitaldrug at 2 P.M., on the 12th September 1903, in presence of such of the tenderers as may be present.

(6) The acceptance of the tender will be forthwith communicated to the successful tenderer and the earnest money of the rest will be returned to them.

(7) Within three days of receipt of notice of the acceptance of the tender, the successful competitor shall credit into the Government Treasury of the taluk concerned, one-half of the total rental, including the earnest money already paid plus local cess at one anna per rupee, in default of which, the acceptance will be cancelled, the earnest money forfeited and the right re-sold.

(8) Sales effected under the above para will be at the risk of the defaulting competitor, who will forfeit all gain but in the event of a loss by the sale, shall make good the deficiency between the total amount payable by him for the whole period under the terms of the tender and the total amount payable by the successful bidder at the re-sale. If the deficit be not paid it will be recovered as a revenue demand.

(9) The successful tenderer or the lessee should work up the lease himself, and if he wishes to transfer it to others, he should obtain the sanction of the Deputy Commissioner, who will have power to insist upon the payment of a premium for granting the same.

(10) The successful tenderer or the lessee shall sign an agreement binding himself to observe the conditions herein mentioned, and it should be executed within three days from the date on which the acceptance of the tender may be intimated to him; in default, the sum already paid will be forfeited and the right sold.

(11) The balance of the lease amount and the local cess thereon shall be paid in full in three khists in advance, on the dates mentioned below, and sufficient security must be furnished for the payment of the same. Failing to remit any of the khists on the due date, the lessee shall forfeit the sum already credited and also his claims to the produce, and the balance will be recovered as a revenue demand :—

1st khist, 31st January 1904.
2nd khist, 31st May 1904.
3rd khist, 30th September 1904.

Further Conditions.

(i) To hold himself responsible to prevent the cutting of tender stems under two years by his servants or sub-contractors.

(ii) To furnish a list of sub-contractors and mestris who may be appointed by them for the collection of bark in the different working circles.

(iii) To work out the lease himself and not to transfer it to others without the previous sanction of the Deputy Commissioner.

(iv) The barked wood to be the property of the lessee.

(v) To keep accounts showing the quantity of the bark removed in accordance with the lease and to permit inspection of such accounts by the Deputy Commissioner or the District Forest Officer or any other officer deputed by them.

(vi) To provide passes for each cart-load of bark in such manner as may be laid down by the District Forest Officer.

(vii) To hold himself responsible for the occurrence of any fire in State Forests or Plantations, provided they are caused by him or by his men and to make good any loss which may accrue thereby to valuable forest or crops.

(viii) To remove out of the limit of the Chitaldrug District and before the 15th July 1905, all bark cut, collected or stored.

(ix) In the event of breach of any of the above conditions, the lease is liable to be cancelled, all the bark collected to be confiscated, and a fine up to the limit of Rs. 1,000 may be levied by the Deputy Commissioner.

K. SHAMA IYENGAR,
for *Dy. Comr., Chitaldrug Dt.*

COORG FOREST DEPARTMENT.

ANNUAL TIMBER SALES.

Notice dated Mercara, 24th June 1903.

Tenders will be received up to 15th October 1903, for the following quantities of timber felled and logged departmentally in the forests of the Cauvery, Hatgat and Mawkal Ranges at fixed rates varying with locality which may be obtained on application to the undersigned :—

Teak	...	33,000 c.ft.
Rosewood (Biti)	...	8,000 "
Pterocarpus marsupium (Honne)	...	23,000 "
Terminalia tomentosa (Matti)	...	18,000 "
Lagerstroenia microcarpa (Nandi)	...	9,000 "

2. Every tender for 3,000 c.ft. or upwards must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 100 in currency notes, covers containing tenders should be addressed to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Coorg, Mercara, and duly registered and superscribed "Tender for Timber."

3. The Deputy Conservator of Forests will be at Periyapatam on the 15th October 1903 for the purpose of allotting timber amongst tenderers, who are recommended to be present or be represented by duly accredited agents on the occasion, when the locality of logs or other information relating to accepted tenders may be obtained.

4. The Deputy Conservator of Forests does not bind himself to allot timber for the whole or any portion of any tender, and he is at liberty to dispose of the whole or any portion of the supply available, previous to allotment, should this course prove to be advantageous in the interests of Government.

5. In the interests of fire conservancy the forests will be closed against the removal of timber in the fire season, which, it may be stated for the information of intending purchasers, is generally a period varying from 6 weeks to two months commencing from about the middle of February; but which is liable to be reduced or extended according to the character of the season. Certain depots in or adjoining the forests will, however, be set apart and remain open throughout the whole of this period for the removal of timber for the convenience of those purchasers who may choose to collect timber therein in order to avoid the inconvenience of an interruption of their transport operations during the fire season.

6. The rates and conditions of sale are regulated by Notification No. 19, dated 23rd April 1903 of the Chief Commissioner of Coorg, for copy of which or further information apply to the undersigned.

C. McCARTHY, *Dy. Conservator of Forests, Coorg.*

CENSUS DEPARTMENT.

Notice dated 30th July 1903.

Sealed tenders superscribed "*Tenders for the purchase of slip paper*" and addressed to the undersigned, are invited for the purchase of written and unwritten Census slips to be sold as waste paper at the Census Office, Abshot House, Sankey Road, High Ground, Bangalore.

2. The slips measure 7″ × 5″ each; there are about 2½ maunds of them of half-bleached paper and about 1,200 maunds of them of brown cartridge paper, both together estimated to weigh about 1,203 maunds (more or less).

3. A cash deposit of Rs. 25 must accompany every tender, which should reach the undersigned on or before Friday the 28th August 1903, after which date no tender will be received.

The tenders shall specify the rate per maund (40 seers of Rs. 24 each) at which the tenderer is prepared to buy up the entire stock by actual weighment, and the precise address to which intimation of acceptance should be sent.

4. The tenders will be opened by the undersigned at noon on Saturday the 29th August 1903 in the presence of such tenderers or their authorized agents as may choose to be present. The final disposal of the tenders rests with the Director of Statistics and Census Superintendent in Mysore, who does not bind himself to accept the highest or any tender nor to assign reasons for so doing.

5. The deposits of rejected tenders will be returned.